## A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO ALBIZIA TREES.

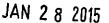
### BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

- SECTION 1. The legislature finds that albizia trees are an invasive species that present a threat to life and property in Hawaii. The speed and manner in which albizia trees grow is
- 4 harmful to native biota and presents a biosecurity threat to
- 5 Hawaii's native wildlife. The invasive species council has
- 6 identified albizia trees as a priority concern for their
- 7 potential threat to human safety and the environment. The
- 8 legislature also finds that the removal of invasive albizia
- 9 trees is a biosecurity and eradication program as contemplated
- 10 by section 150A-4.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, and warrants the
- 11 use of moneys in the pest inspection, quarantine, and
- 12 eradication fund for that purpose.
- 13 The purpose of this Act is to appropriate moneys from the
- 14 pest inspection, quarantine, and eradication fund to the
- 15 department of agriculture for the removal of albizia trees on
- 16 public and private land.

- 1 SECTION 2. There is appropriated out of the pest
- 2 inspection, guarantine, and eradication fund the sum of
- 3 \$ or so much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal
- 4 year 2015-2016 and the same sum or so much thereof as may be
- 5 necessary for fiscal year 2016-2017 for the removal of albizia
- 6 trees on public and private land.
- 7 The sums appropriated shall be expended by the department
- 8 of agriculture for the purposes of this Act; provided that no
- 9 state moneys shall be expended under this Act for the removal of
- 10 albizia trees on private land unless matched on a dollar-for-
- 11 dollar basis by private moneys.
- 12 SECTION 3. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2015.

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INTRODUCED BY:



# H.B. NO. 1138

#### Report Title:

Albizia Trees; Pest Inspection, Quarantine, and Eradication Fund; Appropriation

### Description:

Makes an appropriation from the pest inspection, quarantine, and eradication fund to DOA for the removal of albizia trees on public and private land.

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